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RESPONSE TO NOTICE OF NON-COMPLIANT AMENDMENT AND SUBSTITUTE AMENDMENT

A Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment (37 C.F.R. 1.121) was issued by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office on November 13, 2002 requiring correction of the amendment submitted on October 28, 2002 in connection with the above-identified application. Specifically, the November 17, 2002 Notice indicated that replacement pages cannot be entered. A response to the November 13, 2002 Notice is due December 13, 2002. Accordingly, this response is being timely filed.

In response to the November 13, 2002 Notice, applicants are filing this Substitute Amendment which reiterates the request for all amendments of the specification and claims according to 37 C.F.R. §1.121. Accordingly, this Substitute Amendment should be referred to for entry of all requested amendments by the Legal Instruments Examiner of the U.S. Patent Office.

Please amend the subject application as follows: